द्वारा नियत किए जाते हैं जबकि अन्य प्रभार बाजार ताकतों पर निर्भर करते हैं। हमारे देश में कुछ पत्तनों के कुल कार्गो हैंडलिंग प्रभारी विश्व के कुछ पत्तनों के कुल कार्गो हैंडलिंग प्रभारों से अपेक्षाकृत अधिक हो सकते हैं किन्तु इस संबंध में प्रमाणित अधिसूचित आंकड़ों के अभाव में तुलना करना संभव नहीं हैं।

महापत्तनों का क्षमता में वृद्वि के लिए विभिन्न उपाए किए गए हैं जिनमें नाविक लाइसेंस जारी करने को उदार बनाना, पत्तन क्षमता का विस्तार एवं कार्गो हैंडलिंग उपकरणों का आधुनिकीकरण और कार्मिकों की संख्या एवं आंकड़ो को युक्तिसंगत यात्रा तथा श्रम उत्पादकता में सुधार के लिए प्रोत्साहन स्कीमें शुरू करना/जारी रखना शामिल हैं। इसके अतिरिक्त चुनिन्दा पत्तन प्रचालनां का निजीकरण भी किया गया हैं।

Security Consideration by TEC

643. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:
DR. BIPLAB DASGUPTA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Tender Evaluation Committee for evaluation of tenders for basic telecom services construed security as a consideration for capping;

(b) if so, whether the "C" category circles were considered security risk free; and

(c) if not, why cap was not recommended for "C" category circles?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes Sir. Security was one of the considerations for recommending capping by the TEC.

(b) No Sir.

(c) Category 'C Circles are less lucrative and evoked a poor response. This is why capping was not recommended for Category "C" Circles.

Subversive Activities by Pakistani Nationals

644. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:
SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 240 given in the Rajya Sahba on 28.2.96 and state:

(a) what are the reasons and circumstances under which the Pakistani nationals are illegally staying in the country and whether any subversive, activities committed by these persons have come to Government's notice and if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon; and

(b) what steps Government have so far taken or propose to take to check their illegal entry and for deportation of these persons from the country?

THE MINISTER OF THE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

People Kept as Hostages by Militants in North-East

645. SHRI NYODEK YONGGAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of people still kept hostage by the ULFA, Bodo Security Forces,
NSCN and PLA in North-Eastem States; and

(b) the precautionary measures Government have taken recently to stop this regular menance in North-Eastern part of the Country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): (a) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(b) The Government has taken various steps. These include, inter alia, raids and search operations in the militant infested areas, vehicle checkings, and combing operations, etc.

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योगों में महिला उद्यमियों को प्रोत्साहन देने का प्रस्ताव

646. **श्री चिमनभाई हरिभाई शुक्ल :** क्या ,खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगें कि:

(क) क्या सरकार के पास खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योगों की स्थापना और इन्हे बढ़ावा देने के लिए महिला उद्यमियों

को प्रोत्साहन देने हेतु कोई प्रस्ताव हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस दिशा में सरकार ने क्या कदम उठाए हैं; और

(ग) इस संबंध में सरकार की नीति का ब्यौरा क्या हैं?

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री के.पी.सिंह देव) : (क) से (ग) जी हां। यद्यपि मंत्रालय केवल महिलाओं के लिए कोई स्कीम विशेष नहीं चलाता, पर खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग स्थापित करने के लिए महिला उद्यमियों से प्राप्त होने वाले प्रस्तावों को प्राथमिकता दी जाती हैं। इसी तरह मंत्रालय द्वारा सहायता प्राप्त खाद्य प्रसंस्करण तथा प्रशिक्षण केन्द्रों में महिलाओं को प्रशिक्षण देने की प्राथमिकता दी जाती हैं ताकि उन्हे खाद्य प्रसंस्करण यूनिटें स्थापित करने के लिए प्रोत्साहन मिले। सरकार ने महिला उद्योग निधि भी स्थापित की हैं जिसके मार्फत महिला उद्यमियों को सहायता उपलब्ध कराई जाती हैं।

Performance of the Intelligence Agencies

647. DR. BAPU KALDATE:
SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether with the experience gained, Government have, at any stage, considered the question of examining the role and performance of the intelligence agencies and their achievements and failures;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the measures taken by Government to bring about structural and procedural reforms in the country's intelligence outfits?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): (a) and (b) The performance of Intelligence Agencies has been constantly under review and their role and performance are considered at frequent intervals at the highest levels.

(c) Operational performance of the intelligence agencies is constantly reviewed and undated based on the experience gained.

Inter-Exchange Transfer of Telephone in Delhi

648. SHRI PARAG CHALIHA: Will thi Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased
to state:

(a) the number of telephones transferred under OYT category of Nehru Place Exchange to any other exchange in Delhi pending for more than one year, alongwith the reasons for not affecting the change;

(b) whether it is a fact that the concerned authorities are not taking any action;

(c) whether telephone subscribers have any liability of paying rental or other charges for the period during which the telephones remains inoperative and not transferred as requested, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the remedial measures taken by the MTNL to remove undue hardship to the subscribers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Sir, 11 cases are pending for more than one year for transfer of telephones under OYT category from Nahru Place exchange to other exchanges in Delhi due to subscriber's reasons.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Pro-rata refund of rental is allowed for the periods the telephone service remains suspended if the shifting is delayed beyond IS days due to departmental reasons.

(d) Bulk of the shifting cases are cleared within the stipulated time-limit unless cases are delayed due to technical non-feasibility or subscriber's reasons. Constant monitoring is done until the cases become feasible and the subscribers are kept informed.

News Regarding Counterfeit Currency Racket

649. SHRI K.R. MALKANI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of a counterfeit currency racket unearthed in Raipur (Vide the Statesman, 12th February 1996);